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Title : DISTAL PROTECTION FILTER

Docket No. : 1001.1388101

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AMENDMENT IN ACCORDANCE WITH 37 CFR §1.111

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This Amendment is being filed in response to the Official Action of the Examiner mailed June 1, 2006. Please consider this a PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME for a sufficient number of months to enter these papers, if appropriate. Please charge any additional fees or credit overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-0413.

Please consider the following amendments and remarks:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 15 of this paper.